

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Through an act of state legislation in 2012, a course has been designated to provide Minnesota's

sixth grade students with a better understanding of our state's geography, history, culture, and

heritage; and

WHEREAS: Students have analyzed how Minnesota's diverse geographic and geological areas, and landscapes

both natural and built, have shaped the state's settlement; and

WHEREAS: The history of the Dakota and Ojibwe nations have been studied to better understand and preserve

the heritages and traditions of Minnesota's first residents, while striving to build lasting

relationships that celebrate native culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS: Students have investigated Minnesota's pioneers, who helped to develop the industries of mining,

railroads, farming, fishing, lumber, and milling; have been on the forefront of change and innovation; and have sought to provide new and better opportunities for their families,

communities; and

WHEREAS: Students have studied the innovations of Minnesotans who have become leaders and

entrepreneurs and who have provided significant contributions in numerous industries and

organizations; and

WHEREAS: The next generation of innovators, pioneers, historians, and community leaders are the young

people of our state; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota Studies Guest Week celebrates guests in our schools to help students foster

relationships with cultural, business, and community leaders as they aspire to learn our state's rich history and heritage and we strive to inspire our students to become Minnesota's next leaders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 29-June 2, 2017, as:

MINNESOTA STUDIES GUEST WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 25^{th} day of May.

